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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to a Final Office Action, mailed January 11, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application. Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be reconsidered in a continued examination in view of the Amendments and Remarks that follow, that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

## **AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

## In the Specification

In order to support the number and nature of the amendments to the claims herein, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.121(b)(3) and 37 CFR § 1.125(a) and (c), please replace the Original Specification with the *unmarked* (clean) Substitute Specification appearing in Appendix A, which *unmarked* Substitute Specification includes no new matter and is accompanied by a *marked* Substitute Specification, also including no new matter, appearing in Appendix B.